

While researching as I so often do, I came across the following short message that I thought was related to the Easter season. I felt that you might enjoy it as well so I decided to share.... Robin Getz

## Too Good to be True

By Jimmy Gentry | Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church

There's an old saying: "If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably isn't true." There are some things that are so farfetched that their veracity is questioned at every turn.

A few Thursdays ago, I was watching 20/20 on ABC. One of their segments devoted itself to one of the current fads: detoxification of the body. The segment's specific focus was on a brand of Detox Foot Pads. For \$19.99 you can purchase a two-week supply that is guaranteed to rid your body of all those horrible toxins. All you have to do is put a pad on the bottom of each foot when you go to bed and the next morning remove them to discover, with sight and smell, all those toxins that deplete your body of necessary energy. Improve your health and wellness for only \$19.99, plus shipping and handling.

But wait! There's more. As an extra bonus for

purchasing the Detox Foot Pads, you'll receive, at no additional cost, a set of Detox Eye Patches designed to remove the appearance of dark circles, crow's feet, and puffy eyes. 20/20 did their usual investigation and interviewed some folks who tried the footpads only to discover there was no change in the way they felt. While leaving it up to the viewer, 20/20 concluded consumers are just wasting their money if buying those pads. It's just one of those things that seem too good to be true and in all likelihood is not true.

There are many "seems too good to be true" things in life. Those "seems too good to be true" things have been around forever I suppose. It is possible to detect them even in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Have you ever thought about resurrection being something that seems too good to be true?

In [Acts 1](#) there is a hint it was. Please hear these words from [verses 1-5](#). "In the first book,

*Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive*

*to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This,' he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'*"

Luke, the author of these words, addressed them to a certain "Theophilus." We are first introduced to

Theophilus in [Luke 1](#). Theophilus is a Greek name meaning "lover of God" or "dear one to God." Scholars aren't sure who he was. He may have been a benefactor sponsoring the publication of both volumes, the Gospel of Luke and Acts. Or Theophilus may have simply been a symbolic name for any Christ-follower who would read these words. Perhaps you and I, and every other saint, are

Theophilus - lovers of God and ones who are dear to God. Surely we are. Luke wrote about everything Jesus did from the beginning of His public ministry until His glorious ascension. That formal accounting is found in [Luke 3:21-24:53](#).



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# March Worship News

## The Lectionary Scripture

### Readings are:

#### • *Focus Scripture For Sermon*

Sunday, March 3 – Third Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

*\*Luke 13:1-9*

Sunday, March 10 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

*\*Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

Sunday, March 17 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3:4b-14

*\*John 12:1-8*

Sunday, March 24 – Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Philippians 2:5-11

*\*Luke 19:28-40*

Thursday, March 28 – Maundy Thursday

*\*Exodus 12:1-14*

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Friday, March 29 – Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalm 22

Hebrews 10:16-25

John 18:1-19:42

Saturday, March 30 – Holy Saturday

Job 14:1-14

Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

1 Peter 4:1-8

John 19:38-42

Sunday, March 31 – Easter

Isaiah 65:17-25

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

*\*John 20:1-18*

## The Musical Offerings will be:

**March 3** - Sr. Choir

“Raise Your Hands”

Words and Music by Heather Sorenson

**March 10** - Sr. Choir

“And I Did Nothing: a Lenten Thought”

by David Lantz III

**March 17** – Duet TBA, Wendy Dorsey and Gary Trautman

**March 24**, Palm Sunday – The Hand Bells are scheduled to play.

**March 28**, Maundy Thursday – Sr. Choir

“Why Does My Savior Weep?”

Words and Music by Patrick M. Liebergen

**March 31**, Easter - Sr. Choir

“Call to Praise”

arranged by Robert Sterling

“Alleluia”

arranged by Robert J Hughes

## FROM PASTOR HERB:

### Our worship experiences/opportunities for the month of March are as follows:

<i>Sunday, March 3</i>	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Communion and sermon entitled "The Gift of Second Chances"</i> <i>with a focus scripture of Luke 13:1-9</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 6</i>	<i>7-7:30 pm</i>	<i>Lenten Service – "Disciplined Living" based on a chapter of Henri Nouwen's book "Living in the Spirit"</i>
<i>Sunday, March 10</i>	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Sermon entitled "God Throws a Party" with a focus scripture of Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 13</i>	<i>7-7:30 pm</i>	<i>Lenten Service – "The Spiritual Life" based on a chapter of Henri Nouwen's book "Living in the Spirit"</i>
<i>Sunday, March 17</i>	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Sermon entitled "A Jar of Perfume" with a focus scripture of John 12:1-8</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 20</i>	<i>7-7:30 pm</i>	<i>Lenten Service – "Prayer" based on a chapter of Henri Nouwen's book "Living in the Spirit"</i>
<i>Sunday, March 24</i>	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Sermon entitled "Donkey Riding" with a focus scripture of Luke 19:28-40</i>
<i>Wednesday, March 27</i>	<i>7-7:30 pm</i>	<i>Lenten Service – "Family" based on a chapter of Henri Nouwen's book "Living in the Spirit"</i>
<i>Thursday, March 28</i>	<i>7 pm</i>	<i>Communion and sermon entitled "Impossibilities" with a focus scripture of Exodus 12:1-14</i>
<i>Friday, March 29</i>		<i>Community Good Friday Service (time and location to be announced)</i>
<i>Sunday, March 31</i>	<i>5:45 am</i>	<i>Easter Sunrise Service at Cemetery</i>
	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Easter Service with Communion</i>

### Installation Service For Pastor Chris by Julie Ditzler

Pastor Chris has invited us to attend his installation service at Trinity UCC, East Petersburg, on Sunday, March 17, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. To drive to the church, follow Route 72 south from Lebanon through Manheim and into East Petersburg. When you enter East Petersburg, make a left turn onto State Street (Route 722). The church will be on your right (2340 State Street). Pastor Chris suggests planning to arrive at the church around 2:30. Anne's father will be preaching at the service. It should be a meaningful worship service, and a good opportunity to support a friend in a new position.

## March Celebrations...

### Happy Birthday to:

1 Anna Marie Lauer	8 Randy Ziegler	21 Ginny Knapp
5 Jim Davis Jr.	12 Elda Bugg	23 Mildred Schriver
6 Missy Daub	16 Paul Smith	26 Jeremy Stoltz
6 Rev. Thomas Jackman	16 Marlene Zechman	28 Gary Trautman
6 Glenn Rudy	20 Beth Yingst	30 Missy Seltzer
6 Brenda Good	21 Kathy Fegan	

### Happy Anniversary to:

2 Violet & Ken Leibensperger	15 Marc & Beth Ann Griffiths
11 Diane & Ken Mohn	27 Jeremy & Alyssa Stoltz
12 Denise & Lee Flanick	29 Barb & Thomas Trainor
15 Brenda & Jack Good	

## Sunday Worship Volunteers, Thank You

#### March Readers

March. 3 Robin Getz  
 March 10-Sharon Hibshman  
 March 17-Donnette Quairol  
 March 24-Marc Griffiths  
 March 31-Julie Ditzler

#### March Acolytes

Mar. 3—Rachael Quairol  
 Mar. 10—Jason Eberhart  
 Mar. 17—Nick Benfer  
 Mar. 24—Andrew Eberhart  
 Mar. 31—Kayla Benfer

#### February 2013

##### Attendance

Feb. 3: 68  
 Feb. 10: 66  
 Feb. 17: 65  
 Feb. 24:

#### March Bulletins

Mar. 3— Pat Rentachler  
 Mar. 10— Pat Rentachler  
 Mar. 17— Pat Rentachler  
 Mar. 24— Pat Rentachler  
 Mar. 31— Melissa Seltzer

#### March Flowers

Mar. 3— Brenda Good  
 Mar. 10—Arlene Walmer  
 Mar. 17— Ditzler's  
 Mar. 24—Gary Trautman  
 Mar. 31- Melissa Seltzer

#### March Deacon

Mark Tyrpin



#### Circle Time Schedule

March 3: Melissa Seltzer  
 March 10: Robin Getz  
 March 17: Melissa Daub  
 March 24: Angie Michael  
 March 31 (Easter): TBD



#### March Coffee Hosts

Mar. 3— Arlene Walmer  
 Mar 10— Arlene Walmer  
 Mar. 17— Arlene Walmer  
 Mar 24— Open

At the time of the writing of this article, we have had our reorganization meeting of the members. Continuing as president will be Robin L. Getz, vice-president will be Wendy Dorsey and Treasurer will be Walter Bolles. Although we considered naming Robin Gingrich as our secretary (she was absent with the flu) we decided to wait until our next meeting to officially name the secretary. Missy Seltzer has been kind enough to volunteer in this role until that final vote has taken place.

As promised in the last news, Pastor Herb has started his time at the pulpit with a wonderful message of how we are all called to share our talents regardless how good we think they are. Just the week before, consistory reached out to the congregation for the first time, following the U.C.C. Conference guidelines, by letting you, the members, select those that will serve on the search committee. There is one name I am waiting to confirm, but I can share who has agreed so far to serve at your request: Wendy Dorsey, Robin Getz, Neal Grimes, Terry Knapp, Bob Seltzer and Louise Walmer. As soon as we secure the seventh name we will begin meeting to develop the outline of the process to be followed. I am certain that we will again reach out to the members with specific questions related to our church needs. So stay tuned...

We are waiting for the new doors to be installed in the sanctuary. Building and grounds has done a wonderful job of keeping them on target with friendly reminders. They too have done a wonderful job of keeping our building in good repair. The basement work is again underway and should shortly be completed.

Another difficult decision we made was related to the mailing of the VOICE. We had a bulk mailing permit that was set to expire in February and were also made aware that the parcel rates would be increasing again as well so we needed to weigh our options. I must share that we are no longer able to mail from the Fredericksburg post office with this permit, so all of the parcels needed to be pre-sorted to the Lebanon Post Office bulk permit requirements and delivered to the Lebanon Post office for mailing. We are also required to mail not less than 200 pieces to meet the permit standards, which we could only accomplish by mailing on average 20 per month back to the church. I believe you will all see that just does not make good sense. So in order to receive the VOICE, moving forward, it will be made available each month on our website at <http://www.stjohnsuccfburg.org/thevoice/> or copies will be printed and available each month on the table located in the narthex for your convenience. Also, we are well aware that some do not have computer access so in those cases we must rely on a call from you or a note to the office to let us know just that. We will mail those pieces with a standard first class stamp.

Looking forward two other items that were considered was a request for St. John's to consider hosting the next Thanksgiving morning breakfast. We agreed that would be a wonderful opportunity for us; however we also acknowledged that we would be hard pressed to handle more than 80 comfortably. Stay tuned for more on this event. The second item was related to considering another intergenerational education opportunity. It was suggested that we engage our youth of all ages by having them sponsor a seed pack and we would till a garden on our grounds. Each week they would help plant, weed, and water and harvest their crop. The adults could help with the teaching of how to get their seed from the ground to the table. We will be looking for some feedback on this idea as well. So please speak with me or any of the consistory members if you have any questions.

Another big item is we voted to purchase and install and ultimately begin the training necessary to operate our first AED device. It will be centrally located and visible to all. Hopefully we will not need it, but it is good to know it is available if it is needed. This was a great way for us to celebrate heart month. Envelopes will be made available for anyone who wishes to contribute.

We continue to work hard to keep our church as loved and necessary as it always has been. You are the people who make it what it is. You give it life and offer it breath to sustain our Christian lives. May we always continue to do this work together as one in the body of Christ.



March has arrived! Can we all hope that the cold will soon disappear and the flowers will bloom and the renewal of our surroundings will again begin their annual pilgrimage of yet one more season? Spring.... What a beautiful time of the year!



I guess, in view of the spring season in our horizon, I do not need to remind you that the Easter season is upon us or to remind you of how much preparation for the season that we need to do. Not only will our church go through the transformation of our church season, but we must understand that we too must prepare ourselves as well individually. I know that in the past I have often written about how much this season continually opens my ears, my eyes and especially my heart. The crucifixion of our Lord and Savior is almost more than I can bear. And I am also discovering this is especially true as I get older each year and as things around me change. I am also very aware of the many people I have loved that have since passed that this feeling is only heightened each year.

Lent for me has always been the season of reflection. Many questions always come to mind, especially where my spiritual journey is concerned. I can go back many years and still question some things of the past and continue to wonder why they happened. Constantly I am learning of things that not only change in the right here and now but are also not just necessary but a requirement of Christian life. I remind myself that if I am not ready to grow with what I learn then where will my final destination be?

When you refer to a newborn, it is not uncommon to hear that they are like a sponge. Constantly learning, absorbing everything around them and growing. Before you know it, they recognize you, they begin to coo, a word or two begins to pass through their lips and that very first step is unforgettable. That too is how the work of God should be with each of us. I mean, after all, do we not rely on Him to heal us when we are broken? Do we not ask for forgiveness when we have not followed his teachings? Do we also remember to show our thankfulness for things we are certain He has given to us?

What I share with you now is what I read in the 1 Corinthians chapter 2 which tells us how is it that we speak of wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come for no reason. But we speak of the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God did reveal to them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searched for all things, yes, even the deep things of God. For what man knows the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God know no man, but the Spirit of God.

Again, let's think about that one line that I repeat over and over.... *But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.*

This is the verse I repeat over and over again throughout the season of Lent. Because for me throughout Maundy Thursday and especially Easter morning. I know that as a sponge I must absorb as much as I can. If I am not willing to absorb new thoughts, new perspective, new learnings I have no choice but to wring some of the less important things out of the sponge so that I am open and acceptable to the new. I must always know that I am capable of teaching only if I am open to learning. I am only prepared as one that loves Him if I am able to accept that all things are not as I believe they should be.

The Easter season is a time for a giant mirror. One that allows me to look into it and in turn shows me a true reflection of what I am. I will truly be ready to take the journey to help carry the cross or be able to wipe the blood from the brow of Jesus during his last physical journey through the streets, but I can only do that if I am also willing to do ALL things that God has called me to do.

I am His servant. I cannot pick and choose the very best jobs that there are, but must also be willing to do those that are less glamorous. I cannot be so rigid that I believe my work is only on Sunday, but must be on call and available for all of the other hours of the days and weeks. He will give me the tasks I must complete, I just need to make sure by eyes and my ears are wide open to be able to do the work that He has chosen for me to do.

Let each of us go through the Lenten season with our eyes and ears wide open. You might be amazed at what might be in store for you....

Wishing each of you and yours a wonderful Easter season.

As we prepare for the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ this Lent season, the children will learn about and memorize the Lord's Prayer in the workshop lessons. In conjunction with these lessons and as we progress through Lent, we will be using the Prayer Wall that can be seen outside the sanctuary. I hope each of you will take some time to stop at the wall and leave a prayer behind in one of the pockets as you enter or exit the sanctuary. Each week Rachael Miller will incorporate the prayers from this wall into our Lenten service on Wednesday evenings. The Prayer Wall will be up through Easter. I want to especially thank Reesie Lauer, who agreed to sew the wall together for us!

We are also working on a special intergenerational program for Christian Connection that will take place on Easter morning after our annual egg hunt. Thank you to Julie Ditzler and Sharon Hibshman for leading us in this program. This will be a program for young and old alike and I hope to see you all out there on Easter!

#### Children's March Christian Connection Workshop Schedule

This month the children will learn about the Lord's Prayer.

Scripture: Matthew 6:5-15; Luke 11:1-13;  
Luke 18:1-8, 10-14

March 3/Game: Children will play a game to correctly sequence the prayer, and paraphrase the prayer to help develop an understanding of the meaning.

Teacher: Melissa Seltzer

March 10/Drama: Children will improvise short skits and the class will decide which section of the Lord's Prayer might apply to that situation and why.

Teacher: Angie Michael

March 17/Cooking: Children will create Prayer Bread as a reminder of the four types of prayer. They will also learn the 5-Finger Prayer. Teacher: Melissa Daub

March 24/Art: Children will create a colorful poster with a ten part triangular design to help learn "The Lord's Prayer."

March 31/Easter Sunday: All ages welcome for a special intergenerational program. Children, bring your baskets for the annual Easter Egg Hunt! Teachers: Julie Ditzler & Sharon Hibshman

#### Check Out Our Church Library!

By Julie Ditzler

We are fortunate to have many wonderful resources to enhance our study of the Bible and issues of our faith in our church library, located on the shelves in our church office. We have dictionaries, atlases, concordances, devotionals, and guides to all kinds of topics available for our use there. Recently, Steve Kubik donated a beautiful book entitled In the Footsteps of Jesus: A Chronicle of His Life and the Origins of Christianity by Jean-Pierre Isbouts (Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 2012). Rich illustrations, detailed maps, and fascinating information combine to make this volume a comprehensive look at the life and ministry of our Sav-

#### IN MEMORY

*In loving memory of Elbert (Elby) Myers who passed February 4, 2012. Deeply loved and sadly missed by wife Kathryn, Children, Joyce, Peggy, Roger, Beverly & Kathy, Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, Great Great Grandchildren, Family and Friends*

The Music and Worship Committee met on Monday, Feb. 4. Sharon Hibshman led our devotions and based them on Psalm 18.

Lenten Calendars will be distributed with the bulletins on Sun., Feb. 17.

Guest organist, Heath Lettich, will play for the services while Beth Ann is away.

The format for our Wednesday evening Lenten Services were discussed. We will meet informally in the sanctuary at 7pm. There will be question, answer and discussion time for the weekly topics. There

will be a Maundy Thursday Communion worship service. The Sr. Choir will sing an anthem. It was discussed that we may be hosting the Community Good Friday worship service. Pastor Herb will make some phone calls to confirm that information. And as always our group will be responsible to order the palms for Palm Sunday, Mar. 24.

Altar cloths will be changed to white in celebration of Transfiguration Sunday on Feb. 3. Beginning Ash Wednesday the cloths will be changed to purple for the Lenten season.

Louise reported that there has been no date set for the Lebanon Assoc. Annual Leadership Dinner. She was told it would be in the spring and that the church would receive information concerning the date and time. It is at this annual dinner meeting of the Association that the selected Lay Leaders of the various churches are honored.

Next meeting of the committee will be at 7pm on May 6. Charlene will be responsible for devotions. Plans for our annual Laity Sunday will be on the Agenda.

## CONGREGATION LIFE *By Ginny Knapp*

The return of the Birthday Social is now a reality. By the time you read this it will have happened. Our comeback was planned for Sat., Feb. 23rd at 6:00 PM.

Ten tables were decorated and loaded with varying foodstuffs. After eating and having our birthday cupcakes, we were entertained by the Ditzler-Dorsey production.

Another year will bring an even better Birthday Social now that we've gotten back in the groove!

## BUDGET & STEWARDSHIP *By Neal Grimes*

The Budget Committee did not meet during the month of January.. We will be holding our first meeting of 2013 by the time you get this newsletter. The figures for January are listed below.

January's figures follow the usual trend that reflects a good month because as many invoices as possible were paid during December to close out our calendar year. We are now starting to get our regular flow of invoices which will show a truer picture of where we are financially heading into 2013.

In 2013 we have projected that our weekly giving should be \$2,300.00 per week. The actual weekly giving was \$1,935.58.

<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>INCOME</u>
WEEKLY (4)	\$7,742.35
DEFRAY COST OF ENEVELOPES	177.00
BULLETINS	40.00
SOCIAL HALL RENTALS	15.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR JANUARY	7,974.35
EXPENSES	2,943.98
NET INCOME (JANUARY)	\$5,030.37

Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.

Psalm 37:4-5



## FAMILY FUN NIGHT AT THE MOUNT GRETNA

Bring your friends and family for a fun night of roller skating at Mount Gretna Roller Rink. Come out and enjoy the excitement of open skating., and it is also great exercise.

The youth that brings the most people along skating will win a prize. The Christian Education committee is paying for the admission into the roller rink; you only need to pay for the \$2—skate rental. It will be Friday, March 15th at 7:30 PM. We will meet at St. Johns at 6:45 PM and return back to the church by 10:00 PM/ There is a sign-up sheet on the bulleting board in the social hall or see Scott Benfer if you have any questions.

### SUGAR COOKIES

*Submitted by Ressie Lauer*

1 1/2 cups sugar

1/2 lb margarine

2 eggs

Pinch of salt

1 cup buttermilk

1tsp soda

2 tsp baking powder

1tsp vanilla

Chill and drop      Bake at 390

10 to 12 minutes      4 Tablespoons butter

Do not brown too much. Touch

and if they pop up they are

finished.

Makes 50—60 cookies.

Frosting

4 Tablespoons butter

2 Tablespoons Crisco (not liquid)

1 lb 10X sugar—(4 cups = 1 lb)

2 tsp. vanilla

milk

### ST. JOHN'S FELLOWSHIP by Ginny Knapp

After a two month vacation St. John's Fellowship returned in full force to take up serving our church. Peggy Mohn, president, conducted the business session.

Plans were made to hold our spring Flea Market and Bake Sale., Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20. Set up will take place Wednesday, April 17 and sorting and pricing Thursday, April 18th. Check your closets and cupboard for unused items. Remember, your throw-away may be someone's treasure . .

An Avon project will be held in the near future. Easter flowers will be sold to beautify the church sanctuary for the holiday. Presently, Peggy is taking orders for the Annville Home's sale of ham loaf and port barbeque.

As you can see, we have many project in tow. We need your help to get them moving and completed . Can you give your assistance?

# NEW HORIZONS 2013

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New Horizons is an opportunity for fellowship for single adults, sponsored by the Parish Life Committee of the Lebanon Association, Penn Central Conference, United Church of Christ. For additional information or suggestions For future programs, please call Betty Holdren (866-2013), Dolores Wolfe (867-1807), Eleanor Hollowell(865-8087 Helen Keller (865-4014) .and Betty Ann Smith (865-5769), Barbara Beard (497-0208). Eleanor Baylor (865-4977) Ann Wagner (867-2675)

- JAN** NO MEETING
- FEB 23** 2:00 p.m. – Games, bring your favorite to Grace United Church of Christ.  
1000 South Fifth Avenue, Lebanon Supper at A & M Pizza, East Cumberland Street, Lebanon
- MAR 23** 2:00 p.m. – Dimensions of Post Cards by Donald Brown at Myerstown UCC , supper at Risser's.
- APR 27** 2:00 pm Show and Tell at Christ UCC Annville, PA Supper at Waterworks Fire Company
- MAY 25** 2:00 p.m. Miniature Golf and Dinner at Kaufman's Barbecue. Be sure to join us.
- JUN 22** 2:00 pm – Flim' Flam' Scams by Mary Bach member of Execute Board PA AARP and her talk  
Are you getting your monies worth, at Fredericksburg UCC.
- JUL** NO MEETING
- AUG 24** 1:00 p.m. Picnic, at the home of Helen Keller – Lake Strause  
Pot Luck Meal, followed by games and fellowship.
- Directions:** Rt. 72 North to Lickdale (at light), Continue until first crossroad at Monroe Valley sign, turn right. Follow hard surface road pass golf course until Stop sign. (Do not cross Manbeck Bridge). Go straight until entering Camp Strause. Turn right on Hemlock and left at Lake Side Drive. Helen's home is the first home on the right. (Tel. 865-4014).
- SEP** Date to be announced - Shore
- OCT 26** 2:00 pm Wayne Anspach speaking about one room school houses and music  
St John's UCC Jonestown, Supper at Farmers Wife
- NOV 23** 9:00 a.m. Breakfast at Country Fare – Myerstown, Reservations due by Nov 16
- DEC** Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with family and friends Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Note: Programs are subject of change.

If you have any questions, please contact the committee members.

Phone numbers are listed at top of the sheet.

# March 2013

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

					<b>1</b> 9 AM—11 AM NLPRC	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 8:30 am Circle Time 9am Christian Connection 10:30 Worship Helen Walmer Memori- al Change Pail Sun-	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 12PM Bible Study 7PM Lenten Service in the Sanctuary 7:30 PM Choir Practice	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9 AM—11 AM NLPRC	<b>9</b>
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<b>17</b> 8:30 am Circle Time 9am Christian Connection 10:30 Worship	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 7:00 PM <i>Fellowship</i> <i>Meeting</i>	<b>20</b> 12PM Bible Study 7PM Lenten Service in the Sanctuary 7:30 PM Choir Practice	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 9 AM—11 AM NLPRC	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 am Circle Time 9am Christian Connection 10:30 Worship Dine & Donate at Esther's	<b>25</b> 7PM Consistory Meeting	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 12PM Bible Study 7PM Lenten Service in the Sanctuary 7:30 PM Choir Practice	<b>28</b> 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service	<b>29</b> <i>Good Friday</i>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> 5:45 am Sunrise Service 8:30AM Circle Time 9am Christian Connection 10:30 Worship						

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**Every Sunday**  
**8:30am Circle Time**  
**9:00am Christian connection**  
**10:30am Morning Worship**

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